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ISRAELI PERM REP HERZOG'S REPLY TO SYRIA' LETTER

DATED NOVEMBER 22 ON UNDOF RENEWAL (REFTEL) WAS

CIRCULATED AS A SECURITY COUNCIL DOCUMENT ON NOVEMBER 23.

QUOTE

NOTE VERBALE DATED 23 NOVEMBER 1976 FROM THE PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVE OF ISRAEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ISRAEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS
PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED
NATIONS AND, CONFIRMING HIS CONVERSATION WITH HIS EXCELLENCY
ON MONDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 1976, HAS THE HONOUR TO INFORM HIM THAT
THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL HAS DECIDED TO APPROVE THE EXTENSION
OF THE MANDATE OF THE UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER
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FORCE (UNDOF) FOR ANOTHER PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS.

THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ISRAEL ALSO WISHES TO REFER TO THE ANNEX TO THE NOTE VERBALE DATED 22 NOVEMBER 1976 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF SYRIA (A/31/345-S/12237), ISSUED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1976, IN WHICH HE ASSERTS THAT SINCE THE LAST EXTENSION OF THE UNDOF MANDATE ISRAEL HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LACK OF PROGRESS TOWARDS PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. HE WISHES TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT DURING THAT PERIOD ISRAEL MADE AN OFFER TO ALL ITS ARAB NEIGHBOURING STATES, INCLUDING SYRIA, TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENTS ON THE TERMINATION OF THE STATE OF WAR. THIS PROPOSAL HAS REMAINED WITHOUT RESPONSE OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM THE ARAB SIDE TO THIS DAY. AS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL, IT STILL STANDS.

THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL REITERATES THAT IT IS READY AT ANY TIME TO CONDUCT PEACE NEGOTIATIONS WITH SYRIA IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 242 (1967) OF 22 NOVEMBER 1967 AND 338 (1973) OF 22 OCTOBER 1973.

THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ISRAEL HAS THE HONOUR TO REQUEST THAT THIS NOTE BE CIRCULATED AS AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, UNDER AGENDA ITEM 29, AND OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

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